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SUBJECT: OUTLINE OF EXPERT WORKING GROUP ON THE SOVIET UNION
AND EASTERN EUROPE

CHAIRMAN OF EXPERT GROUP HAS CIRCULATED THE FOLLOWING SUGGESTED
OUTLINE FOR THE EXPERTS' REPORT ON THE SOVIET UNION AND EASTERN
EUROPE, WHICH EXPERTS WILL PREPARE AT NATO MEETING NOVEMBER 10-13.
CHAIRMAN ASKS THAT POINTS SUGGESTED FOR MAIN HEADINGS OF THE
REPORT BE DEALT WITH IN NATIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS SUBMITTED IN
ADVANCE. HE REQUESTS THAT SUCH NATIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS REACH NATO
BY NOVEMBER 3. US CONTRIBUTION SHOULD ACCORDINGLY BE POUCHED
TO USNATO, IF POSSIBLE, NO LATER THAN TEN DAYS IN ADVANCE OF
THAT DATE.

BEGIN TEXT OF OUTLINE:

SUGGESTED OUTLINE OF THE REPORT BY THE EXPERT WORKING GROUP ON
THE SOVIET UNION AND EASTERN EUROPE

I. SOVIET UNION - INTERNAL SITUATION

A. POLITICAL:

- MR. BREZHNEV'S HEALTH AND POLITICAL POSITION

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- THE PRESENT BALANCE OF FORCES WITHIN THE
LEADERSHIP, JOCKEYING FOR POSITION AMONG MR. BREZHNEV'S
POTENTIAL SUCCESSORS

- IMPLEMENTATION OF THE RESULTS OF THE CSCE IN THE CULTURAL FIELD; IDEOLOGICAL VIGILANCE AND FIRM ATTITUDE TOWARDS INTERNAL DISSIDENTS AS DETENTE ENCOURAGES INCREASED CONTACTS WITH THE OUTSIDE WORLD; ATTITUDE TOWARDS WOULD-BE EMIGRANTS

B. ECONOMIC:

- AGRICULTURAL OUTPUT: 1975 HARVESTS AND PURCHASES OF GRAIN ABROAD

- INDUSTRIAL OUTPUT

- PROSPECTS FOR THE FULFILMENT OF THE CURRENT FIVE-YEAR PLAN AND 1976-1980 PLANNING TARGETS

A. TRENDS IN THE TERMS OF TRADE AND THE BALANCE OF PAYMENTS

II. SOVIET UNION - FOREIGN POLICY

A. - IDEOLOGICAL CO-OPERATION AND INTER-PARTY RELATIONS
CONFERENCE OF EUROPEAN COMMUNIST PARTIES
PROSPECTS FOR A WORLD CONFERENCE OF COMMUNIST AND WORKERS' PARTIES

- SOVIET ATTEMPTS TO USE THE ENERGY PROBLEMS OF ITS PARTNERS TO FURTHER COMECON INTEGRATION

B. EAST-WEST RELATIONS

- PURSUIT OF THE POLICY OF DETENTE AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THE RESULTS OF THE CSCE

- MEASURES TO GIVE EFFECT TO THE SLOGAN "POLITICAL DETENTE IS INCOMPLETE WITHOUT MILITARY DETENTE"; MBFR

- RELATIONS BETWEEN THE SOVIET UNION AND THE UNITED STATES; PROSPECTS FOR AGREEMENT IN THE LIGHT OF THE PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS IN THE UNITED STATES AND THE 25TH CONGRESS OF THE CPSU BOTH DUE TO BE HELD IN 1976

- RELATIONS WITH THE COUNTRIES OF WESTERN EUROPE; SOVIET ATTITUDE TO THE POSSIBILITY OF COMMUNIST PARTY CONFIDENTIAL

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PARTICIPATION IN WESTERN GOVERNMENTS

C. SOVIET POLICY IN ASIA

- RELATIONS WITH CHINA
- RELATIONS WITH JAPAN
- EFFORTS TO COUNTERACT CHINESE INFLUENCE IN INDO-CHINA
- SOVIET POLICY IN SOUTHERN ASIA AND PROPOSED COLLECTIVE SECURITY SYSTEM IN ASIA

D. SOVIET POLICY IN THE MIDDLE EAST AND AFRICA

- THE SOVIET UNION AND EFFORTS TO FIND A SOLUTION TO THE ARAB-ISRAELI CONFLICT
- THE SOVIET UNION AND THE PALESTINIANS

- ACTIVITIES IN THE AFRICAN COUNTRIES, ESPECIALLY SOMALIA

III. THE SITUATION IN EASTERN EUROPE

A. SITUATION IN THE GDR - PROBLEM OF BERLIN

B. SITUATION IN POLAND, HUNGARY AND CZECHOSLOVAKIA; POLISH-
GERMAN RELATIONS

C. SITUATION IN THE BALKANS

- INTERNAL SITUATION IN YUGOSLAVIA

- YUGOSLAVIA'S RELATIONS WITH THE SOVIET UNION AND ITS

BALKAN NEIGHBOURS

- RUMANIA: INTERNAL SITUATION, RELATIONS WITH THE SOVIET
UNION AND ATTITUDE TOWARDS COUNTRIES OF THE ALLIANCE AND THE
NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT

- ALBANIA: SIGNIFICANCE OF THE LEADERSHIP RESHUFFLE

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